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### **Scenic Unveils New 2023/2024 Antarctica Program with New Fly-Cruise Itineraries**

*Guests save 20% off fare if paid in full 12 or more months before departure*

Hollywood FL, December 2021 – As the popularity of expedition cruising to Antarctica continues to gain momentum, Scenic is introducing new itineraries that allow guests to avoid the nearly two-day Drake Passage journey -- flying from Punta Arenas, Chile, to meet the line's ultra-luxury Discovery Yacht, *Scenic Eclipse*, at Antarctica's King George Island, the largest of the South Shetland Islands. Utilizing the two-hour flight allows guests on the new nine- and 10-day offerings to be able to enjoy a fully-focused Antarctica adventure. Scenic is also introducing a 16-day bucket list dream cruise for expedition lovers – the opportunity to explore south of the Antarctica Circle – latitude 66° 33' south – a rarely visited region of the world.

Guests booking any of the newly launched 2023/24 Antarctica itineraries can save up to 20% -- 10% for early bookers and 10% for paying for their cruise in full 12 months before departure. Prices below are inclusive of the early booking discount.

- The new nine-day [Antarctica Insights: Fly & Cruise](#) voyage will be *Scenic Eclipse*'s first-ever fly-cruise, allowing guests to travel over the Drake Passage one way by air – flying from Punta Arenas, Chile to King George Island to embark the luxury yacht, and returning by yacht to Ushuaia, Argentina for a flight to Buenos Aires and then home. The flight option to Antarctica provides a shorter overall voyage and allows for even greater exploration of Antarctica. Fares start at \$17,417 per person, double. The reverse 10-day itinerary – flying from King George Island to Punta Arenas at the end of the cruise – is priced from \$17,617.
- For guests looking to avoid the Drake Passage crossing completely, Scenic is also offering the nine-day [Wild Antarctica: Fly the Drake](#) itinerary, with flights both ways between Punta Arenas and King George Island. Guests will spend one night at each end of the cruise in Punta Arenas and the rest of the time exploring the White Continent. There are three departures and fares begin at \$15,722.
- Finally – for those travelers who are really looking to explore the farthest and experience a rare opportunity, Scenic is introducing the new 16-day [Beyond the Antarctic Circle](#) voyage, which explores the Antarctic Circle in greater depth in more remote locales. Heading south of latitude 66° 33' south (Antarctic Circle) brings with it a change in scenery, more sea ice and wildlife living off the krill-rich waters. This once-in-a-lifetime voyage offers a chance to explore more places and make more landings and to spend more time taking in Antarctica's incredible wildlife-filled landscapes. Prices for the 16-day itinerary on February 9, 2024 start at \$20,032.

Visiting Antarctica on board *Scenic Eclipse* provides guests with the opportunity to cruise on Zodiacs or kayak and paddleboard around towering ice formations, step onto islands uninhabited by humans and walk among vast penguin rookeries and seal colonies and, conditions permitting, visit a working scientific base and meet the staff located there. They can explore below the horizon aboard *Scenic Neptune*, the ship's six-guest submarine, taking in the wildlife and scenery beneath the continent's icy surface, or explore above the horizon on one of the ship's two state-of-the-art helicopters with a bird's eye view of the truly breath-taking landscape far removed from the touch of humans.

On board, the 20-strong Specialist Polar Discovery Team will host an engaging and educational series of lectures about Antarctic history, geography and its ecosystem. The mix of expertise in the landscape, flora and fauna of the Antarctic allow them to design the perfect itinerary for the expedition, making the most of the 18-20 hours of daylight.

All *Scenic Eclipse* voyages are truly all-inclusive, including itinerary-required flights, transfers, up to 10 fine dining experiences, premium branded beverages, once-in-a-lifetime immersive excursions, butlers, use of the spa (services are extra), and more. All new bookings are covered by Scenic's Flexible Booking Policy, enabling guests to defer their cruise to another travel date or itinerary up to 60 days prior to departure and come with Scenic's Deposit Protection Plan included.

Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours has grown over its 35-year history to include award-winning, truly all-inclusive river and ocean cruises and handcrafted land tours that take participants to many of the world's most fascinating destinations. In 2019, Scenic introduced *Scenic Eclipse*, The World's First Discovery Yacht™. Hosting just 228 guests (200 in polar regions), the yacht offers a 1:1 guest-to-staff ratio, butler service, 10 dining experiences, a 5,920 ft² luxury spa, yoga and Pilates studio, vitality pools and bars, two state-of-the-art helicopters, a six-guest submarine and, an expert Discovery Team. Offering an extraordinary ultra-luxury, truly all-inclusive experience for guests at destinations throughout the world. A second yacht, *Scenic Eclipse II*, is planned to launch in 2023. Scenic is part of Scenic Group, which includes Emerald Cruises, Mayflower Cruises & Tours and Evergreen Tours.

Scenic can be found on Twitter at @ScenicLuxury, on Facebook as ScenicCruises and on Instagram as Scenic.luxurycruisestours.

Additional information on these and other cruises, brochures and reservations can be obtained via travel advisors or in the US: [www.scenicusa.com](http://www.scenicusa.com), phone (844) 788-7985, [info@scenicusa.com](mailto:info@scenicusa.com). Brochures can also be downloaded directly from the websites.

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